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Dear Ms. Stratmoen,

I refer to your request to submit comments in response to the information in the audit report made by Dr. M. Douglas Parks, after his on-site audit of Uruguay's meat inspection system, from January 15 through January 31, 2002.

At present, we have studied it and have found no objections to Dr. Parks' observations and we have no further comments to make to his report.

Looking forward to hearing from you, I remain yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Lazaneo", written over a horizontal line.

DR. HECTOR J. LAZANEO
DIRECTOR

cc/ Dr. Recaredo Ugarte, DGSG, MGAP
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